# SENATE BILL No. 438

#### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 36-7-13.

**Synopsis:** Community revitalization enhancement districts. Permits the mayor or town council president of a municipality in St. Joseph County to submit an application for the establishment of a community revitalization enhancement district (CRED) in the municipality if the submission of the application is approved by ordinance or resolution of the municipality. Permits establishment of a CRED in St. Joseph County if certain criteria are met. Makes conforming changes.

Effective: Upon passage.

## **Broden**

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 36-7-13-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.138-1999
SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) After approval by ordinance of
resolution of the legislative body of a municipality located in a count
having a population of:

- (1) more than one hundred eight thousand nine hundred fifty (108,950) but less than one hundred twelve thousand (112,000); or
- (2) more than two hundred thousand (200,000) but less than three hundred thousand (300,000);

the executive of the municipality may submit an application to an advisory commission on industrial development requesting that an area within the municipality be designated as a district.

(b) After approval by ordinance or resolution of the legislative body of a county, the executive of the county may submit an application to an advisory commission on industrial development requesting that an area within the county, but not within a municipality, be designated as

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a district. However, in a county having a population of more than one hundred twelve thousand (112,000) but less than one hundred twenty-five thousand (125,000), the legislative body of the county may request that an area within the county be designated as a district even if the area is within a municipality.

SECTION 2. IC 36-7-13-11, AS AMENDED BY P.L.138-1999, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. If a municipal or county executive submits an application requesting an area to be designated as a district under this chapter, the advisory commission on industrial development shall do the following:

- (1) Compile information necessary to make a determination concerning whether the area meets the conditions necessary for designation as a district.
- (2) Prepare maps showing the boundaries of the proposed district.
- (3) Prepare a plan describing the ways in which the development obstacles described in section 12(b)(3), or 12(c), or 12(d) of this chapter in the proposed district will be addressed.

SECTION 3. IC 36-7-13-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.138-1999, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) If a municipal or county executive has submitted an application to an advisory commission on industrial development requesting that an area be designated as a district under this chapter and the advisory commission has compiled and prepared the information required under section 11 of this chapter concerning the area, the advisory commission may adopt a resolution designating the area as a district if it makes the findings described in subsection (b), or (c), or (d). In a county described in subsection (c), an advisory commission may designate more than one (1) district under subsection (c).

- (b) For an area located in a county having a population of more than one hundred eight thousand nine hundred fifty (108,950) but less than one hundred twelve thousand (112,000), an advisory commission may adopt a resolution designating a particular area as a district only after finding all of the following:
  - (1) The area contains a building or buildings:
    - (A) with at least one million (1,000,000) square feet of usable interior floor space; and
    - (B) that is or are vacant or will become vacant due to the relocation of an employer.
  - (2) At least one thousand (1,000) fewer persons are employed in the area than were employed in the area during the year that is ten



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1	(10) years previous to the current year.			
2	(3) There are significant obstacles to redevelopment of the area			
3	due to any of the following problems:			
4	(A) Obsolete or inefficient buildings.			
5	(B) Aging infrastructure or inefficient utility services.			
6	(C) Utility relocation requirements.			
7	(D) Transportation or access problems.			
8	(E) Topographical obstacles to redevelopment.			
9	(F) Environmental contamination.			
10	(4) The unit has expended, appropriated, pooled, set aside, or			
11	pledged at least one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) f			
12	purposes of addressing the redevelopment obstacles described i			
13	subdivision (3).			
14	(5) The area is located in a county having a population of mo			
15	than one hundred eight thousand nine hundred fifty (108,950) by			
16	less than one hundred twelve thousand (112,000).			
17	(c) For a county having a population of more than one hundred			
18	twelve thousand (112,000) but less than one hundred twenty-five			
19	thousand (125,000), an advisory commission may adopt a resolution			
20	designating not more than two (2) areas as districts. An advisory			
21	commission may designate an area as a district only after finding the			
22	following:			
23	(1) The area meets either of the following conditions:			
24	(A) The area contains a building with at least seven hundred			
25	ninety thousand (790,000) square feet, and at least eigh			
26	hundred (800) fewer people are employed in the area than			
27	were employed in the area during the year that is ten (10) year			
28	previous to the current year.			
29	(B) The area contains a building with at least four hundred			
30	forty thousand (440,000) square feet, and at least four hundred			
31	(400) fewer people are employed in the area than were			
32	employed in the area during the year that is ten (10) years			
33	previous to the current year.			
34	(2) The area is located in or is adjacent to an industrial park.			
35	(3) There are significant obstacles to redevelopment of the area			
36	due to any of the following problems:			
37	(A) Obsolete or inefficient buildings.			
38	(B) Aging infrastructure or inefficient utility services.			
39	(C) Utility relocation requirements.			
40	(D) Transportation or access problems.			
41	(E) Topographical obstacles to redevelopment.			
42	(F) Environmental contamination.			



1	(4) The area is located in a county having a population of more			
2	than one hundred twelve thousand (112,000) but less than one			
3	hundred twenty-five thousand (125,000).			
4	(d) For an area located in a county having a population of more			
5	than two hundred thousand (200,000) but less than three hundred			
6	thousand (300,000), an advisory commission may adopt a			
7	resolution designating a particular area as a district only after			
8	finding all of the following:			
9	(1) The area contains a building or buildings:			
10	(A) with at least one million five hundred thousand			
11	(1,500,000) square feet of usable interior floor space; and			
12	(B) that is or are vacant or will become vacant.			
13	(2) At least eighteen thousand (18,000) fewer persons are			
14	employed in the area than were employed in the area during			
15	the year that is ten (10) years previous to the current year.			
16	(3) There are significant obstacles to redevelopment of the			
17	area due to any of the following problems:			
18	(A) Obsolete or inefficient buildings.			
19	(B) Aging infrastructure or inefficient utility services.			
20	(C) Utility relocation requirements.			
21	(D) Transportation or access problems.			
22	(E) Topographical obstacles to redevelopment.			
23	(F) Environmental contamination.			
24	(4) The unit has expended, appropriated, pooled, set aside, or			
25	pledged at least one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for			
26	purposes of addressing the redevelopment obstacles described			
27	in subdivision (3).			
28	(5) The area is located in a county having a population of			
29	more than two hundred thousand (200,000) but less than three			
30	hundred thousand (300,000).			
31	(e) The advisory commission shall designate the duration of the			
32	district, but the duration may not exceed fifteen (15) years (at the time			
33	of designation).			
34	(e) (f) Upon adoption of a resolution designating a district, the			
35	advisory commission shall submit the resolution to the budget			
36	committee for review and recommendation to the budget agency. The			
37	budget committee shall meet not later than ten (10) days after receipt			
38	of a resolution and shall make a recommendation on the resolution to			
39	the budget agency.			
40	(f) (g) When considering a resolution, the budget committee and the			
41	budget agency must make the following findings:			
42	(1) The area to be designated as a district meets the conditions			



1	necessary for designation as a district.	
2	(2) The designation of the district will benefit the people of	
3	Indiana by protecting or increasing state and local tax bases and	
4	tax revenues for at least the duration of the district.	
5	(g) (h) The income tax incremental amount and the gross retail	
6	incremental amount may not be allocated to the district until the budget	
7	agency approves the resolution.	
8	SECTION 4. IC 36-7-13-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.138-1999,	
9	SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE	
10	UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16. (a) A unit may issue bonds or other	
11	obligations to finance the costs of addressing the development	
12	obstacles described in section 12(b)(3), or 12(c), or 12(d)(3) of this	
13	chapter in the district.	
14	(b) The district bonds are special obligations of indebtedness of the	
15	district. The district bonds issued under this section, and interest on the	
16	district bonds, are payable solely out of amounts deposited in the	
17	industrial development fund under this chapter.	
18	SECTION 5. An emergency is declared for this act.	

